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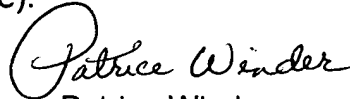
1. In the interview on June 9, 2005, applicant's representative and the examiner discussed prior art resulting from litigation concerning the parent application, now USPN 5,956,491. As of the mailing of this letter the prior art in question has not been received in the present application. Assuming that it is applicant's intent to file the prior art discussed above, the examiner request application to file the prior art in a PTO-1449 or the equivalent in response to this letter.

2. This requirement is subject to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.134, 1.135 and 1.136 and has a shortened statutory period of ONE (1) month. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Patrice Winder whose telephone number is 571-272-3935. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 10:30 am-7:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Valencia Martin-Wallace can be reached on 571-272-6159. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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